

**APPROVED MINUTES
CITY OF MILPITAS
YOUTH ADVISORY COMMISSION**

Minutes: Regular Meeting of the Youth Advisory Commission
Date of Meeting: Thursday, November 10, 2005
Time of Meeting: 7:00 p.m.
Place of Meeting: 455 E. Calaveras Blvd., City Hall Commission Conference Room

A. ROLL CALL

Chair Hall called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

Commissioners Present:

Joseph Hall, Lorden Fok, Aditya Ullal, Jay Kumar, Alex Tran, Nida Asif, Danielle Yee and Ha La

Alternates Present:

Jason Nguyen, Josephine Fong, Sareen Sandhu

Commissioners Absent:

Roxane Lachance
Alternate – Larry Lee

City Council Present:

Debbie Giordano

City Staff Present:

Samu Tiumalu, Program Coordinator
Dale Flunoy, Program Coordinator

B. SEATING OF ALTERNATES:

Chair Joseph Hall sat Jason Nguyen for Roxane LaChance.

C. FLAG SALUTE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

D. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

MOTION to adopt the minutes of Thursday, October 13, 2005 was made.

M/S: Ullal/Fok **Ayes:** All

E. CITIZENS FORUM

F. ANNOUNCEMENT

Program Coordinator Samu Tiumalu reminded the commission of the upcoming Veterans Day Ceremony taking place on Friday, November 11 at 9am the Veterans Memorial Park. Program Coordinator Dale Flunoy requested commissioners to take their pictures immediately after the meeting.

G. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Chair Hall made a **MOTION** to move the Brown Act Training before old business.

MOTION to accept the changes to the Agenda for the Thursday, November 10, 2005.

M/S: Tran/Ullal

Ayes: All

MOTION to adopt the Agenda with the change of order for the Thursday, November 10, 2005.

M/S: Ullal/Yee

Ayes: All

H. NEW BUSINESS

1. Brown Act Training

City Clerk Mary Lavelle attended the commission and provided some handouts in regards to the Brown Act. Lavelle reported on the types of violations, types of meetings, as well as rules for posting of the agenda. She also informed the commission of the new Open Government Ordinance in Milpitas that allows more of an open type of government for the public to provide input on items being discussed at the various commissions, committees and City Council meetings. She closed her presentation with her contact information and encouraged commissioners to contact her should any questions arise.

I. OLD BUSINESS

1. Bill Wilson Center Hotline:

Program Coordinator Tiumalu reported that the next series of training for the Contact Cares Youth Hotline will be taking place in February 2006 and supplied the commission with the schedule. Councilmember Giordano asked where the training would be located and how many hours were required. Program Coordinator Tiumalu reported that all training would take place at the Bill Wilson Center in San Jose on the Alameda. He also reported that the training would require commissioners to attend eight (8), three (3) hour sessions totaling twenty-four (24) hours. Councilmember Giordano commented that this would be a great project for the commission to take part in and also mentioned that this commission would be able to start a project that would be passed on for future commissioners. A total of five (5) commissioners showed interest in the training and requested to have the item re-agendized for the December 8 meeting for the commission's final decision.

MOTION to re-agendize the Bill Wilson Center Hotline item for the December 8 meeting.

M/S: Ullal/Asif

Ayes: All

2. Graffiti Terminators:

Commissioner Ullal reported the Graffiti Terminators project would require commissioners to attend training to learn how to paint over graffiti in Milpitas. Commissioner Ullal reported that he would take the lead for the project and would then contact other commissioners when a project would arise. Commissioner Ullal also requested Mr. Chris Schaller of the Neighborhood Preservation division to attend the December 8 to further discuss the project with the new commissioners. The commission requested to have this item re-agendize for the December 8 meeting for further discussion with Mr. Chris Schaller.

MOTION to re-agendize the Graffiti Terminators item and request Mr. Chris Schaller to present at the December 8 meeting.

3. Milpitas Education and Industry Alliance Project (MEIAP) Presentation:

Commissioner Tran reported that his original idea of having the City of Milpitas adopt this program has changed. The MEIAP group is now working with NOVA in hopes to have them adopt the program for student work experience. Commissioner Tran asked for this item to be withdrawn from the commission. He also stated he would provide updates on the project.

I. New Business

2. Youth Advisory Commission Goals 05/06

Staff discussed the 04/05 terms and reiterated to the commission that goals should be something that they could accomplish in a term. Chair Hall asked if the monthly commission meetings could be held at the Teen Center to help create more awareness of the Teen Center as well as the Youth Advisory Commission. Commissioner Ullal asked that the commission continue to be more involved in City sponsored events by volunteering or attending as representatives of the Youth Advisory Commission. Commissioner Yee echoed Commissioner Ullal's statement by requesting to participate in the Milk & Cookies with Santa event as well as the Tree Lighting Ceremony coming up. Commissioner Ullal suggested having the commission assist with promoting youth related events in Milpitas as well as the Teen Center events. He also suggested continuing the Alcohol Awareness Bookmark as was done last year. Commissioner Sandhu's mother suggested to the commission to look into working with City officials to offer a local government class and tour of City Hall to provide an understanding of City government for teens in the community. She also mentioned this would assist with promoting the Youth Advisory Commission. She also mentioned this would assist with promoting the Youth Advisory Commission. Commissioner Ullal stated he would like to see a Youth Forum offered to discuss various teen related issues such as Peer Pressure, Socialization, etc for teens in the community. Coordinator Tiumalu mentioned that the Teen Center has partnered with Kaiser to offer a Teen Talk series beginning in February 2006. Chair Hall asked to offer more socials as well as fundraising opportunities. After further discussion, this item was finalized with the list above.

J. OTHER BUSINESS

1. City Council Liaison Report

Councilmember Giordano reported that the City Council participated in the first ever invocation at the beginning of the October 4 meeting. She also stated that the City Council rejected the consideration of temporary closing of city streets to accommodate the Farmer's Market operation. Council also approved commission appointments for the Community Advisory Commission as well as adopted a Citywide reorganization policy and guidelines per the recommendation of the Finance Subcommittee. The Planning Commission vacancies were also advertised at the October 4 meeting as well as introducing an ordinance to advertise bids on City public projects in accordance with the California Public Contract Code. The City Council designated four (4) locations in the city to advertise said projects.

Councilmember Giordano also reported that the City Council reviewed and consideration of providing staff with direction on funding for landscaping and maintenance of the 237/880 interchange at the October 18 meeting. Other topics of

discussion was the Mayor's recommendation for Council Open Government Subcommittee was denied, they approved the Mayor's recommendations for the Public Art Committee as well as modified the City Council handbook to reflect all commissions. Councilmember Giordano asked the commission if they had any questions prior to closing her report.

2. Staff Report

Program Coordinator Flunoy thanked all of the commission to taking part in the commission and mentioned that he heard in the news of an 18 year old teen that ran for Mayor of his town and won. He reiterated to the commission that they also had an opportunity to be more involved in their community through the Youth Advisory Commission. Program Coordinator Tiumalu reported that the Teen Center was averaging 35-40 teens a day. He also stated that the Teen Center would be holding their annual Thanksgiving Dinner on Tuesday, November 21 starting at 5pm. Last year, he stated over 40 teens participated in the event.

3. Future Agenda Items

- Bill Wilson Center Hotline
- Graffiti Terminators – Chris Schaller to present
- Media Report

K. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Commissioner Hall adjourned the meeting at 8:30 p.m. to Thursday, December 8, 2005, at 7:00 p.m. at the City Hall Committee Room.

Respectfully Submitted,

Samu Tiumalu
Program Coordinator